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A telephone call was made by Laurie Ries on 9/24/2006, which confirmed that no response has been filed to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interference decision rendered on 7/24/2006.

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